

Introduced by Senator Leno

February 18, 2011

An act to relating to crime.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 819, as introduced, Leno. Crimes: eyewitness identification.

Existing law requires the Attorney General to keep various identifying information on file of persons confined to penal institutions including fingerprints, measurements, and criminal histories.

This bill would state that it is the intent of the Legislature to later amend into this bill provisions that would require law enforcement to study and consider new policies to ensure proper eyewitness identification procedures.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to later amend
- 2 into this bill provisions that would require law enforcement
- 3 officials to study and consider the adoption of new policies and
- 4 procedures to ensure that eyewitness identification procedures
- 5 minimize the chance of misidentifying a suspect.

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